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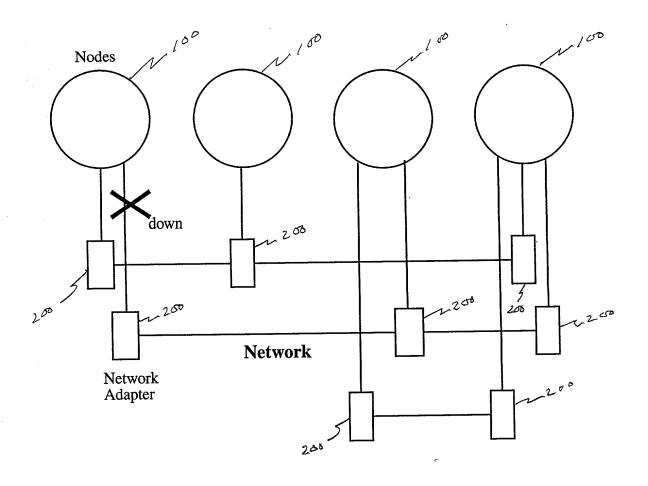


Figure 1: Nodes and physical connectivity

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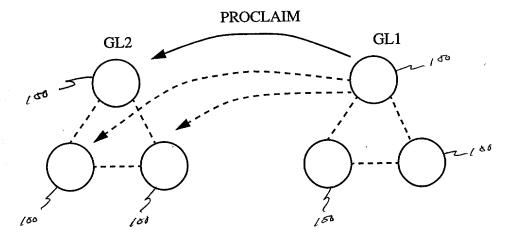


Figure 2a) JOIN Protocol: PROCLAIM message

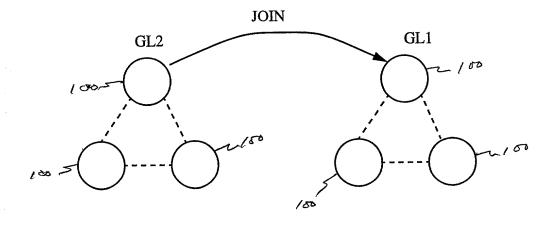


Figure 2b) JOIN Protocol: JOIN message

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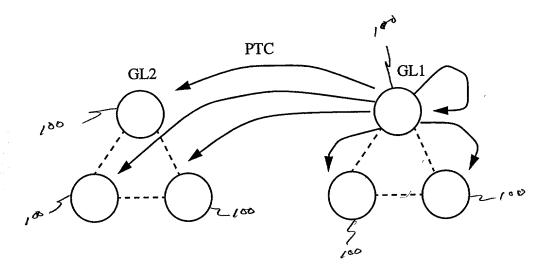


Figure 2c) JOIN Protocol: PTC message

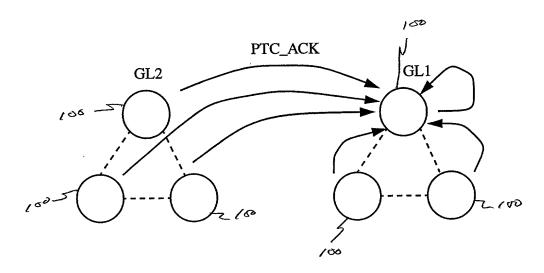


Figure 2d) JOIN Protocol: PTC\_ACK message

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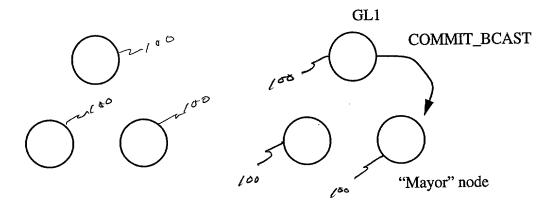


Figure 2e) JOIN Protocol: COMMIT\_BCAST message

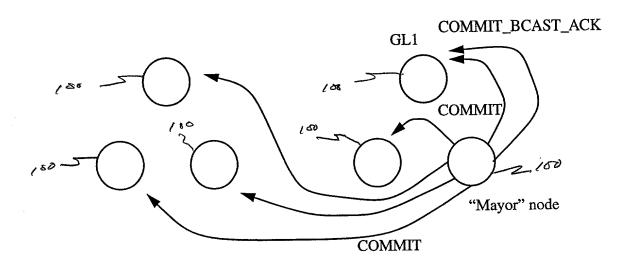


Figure 2f) JOIN Protocol: COMMIT and COMMIT\_BCAST\_ACK messages

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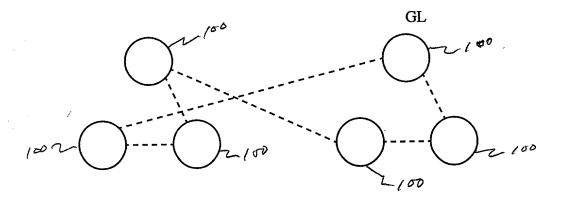


Figure 2g) JOIN Protocol: new group formed after completion of protocol

Figure 2: JOIN protocol

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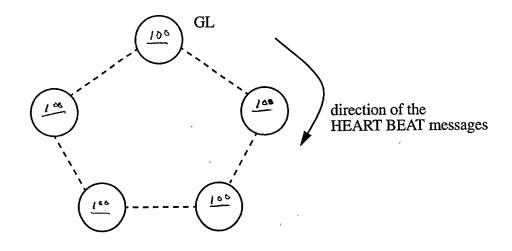


Figure 3a) DEATH Protocol: initial state: heartbeat ring

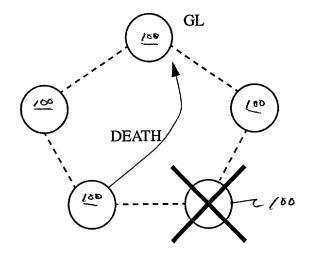


Figure 3b) DEATH Protocol: DEATH message

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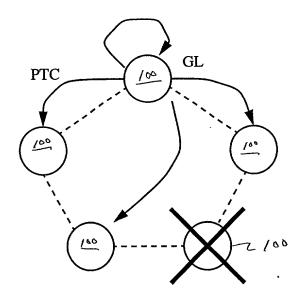


Figure 3c) DEATH Protocol: PTC message

Figure 3: DEATH protocol

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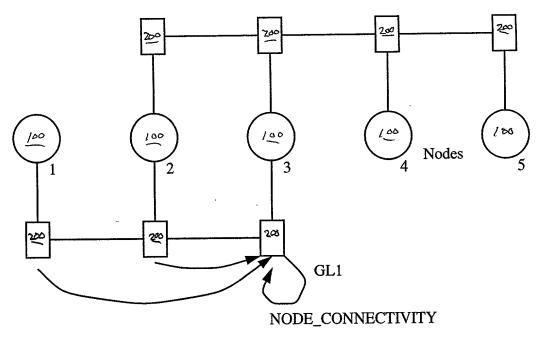


Figure 4a) Node Reachability Protocol: NODE\_CONNECTIVITY message

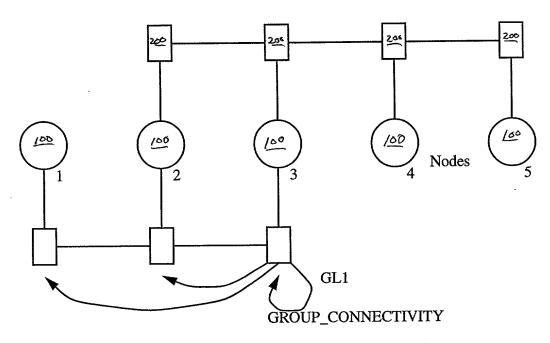


Figure 4b) Node Reachability Protocol: GROUP\_CONNECTIVITY message

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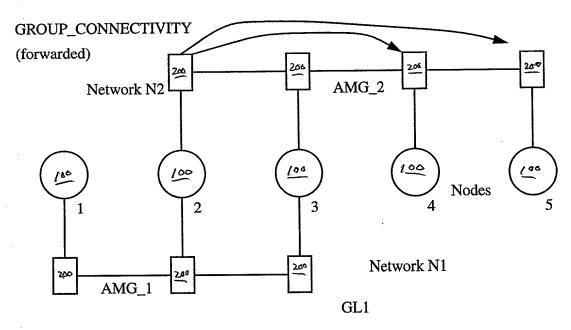
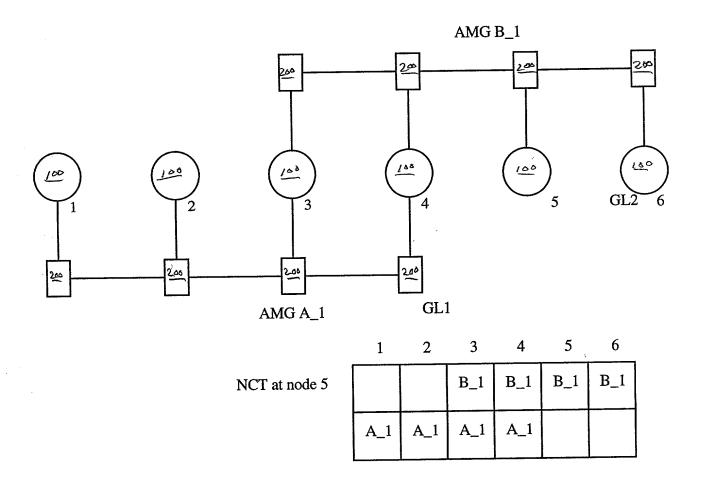


Figure 4c) Node Reachability Protocol: forwarding of GROUP\_CONNECTIVITY message

Figure 4: Node reachability protocol: NODE\_CONNECTIVITY and GROUP\_CONNECTIVITY messages

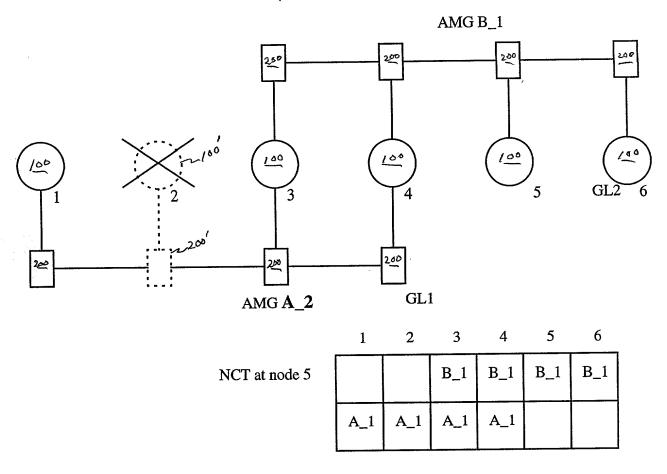
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5a) Initial situation

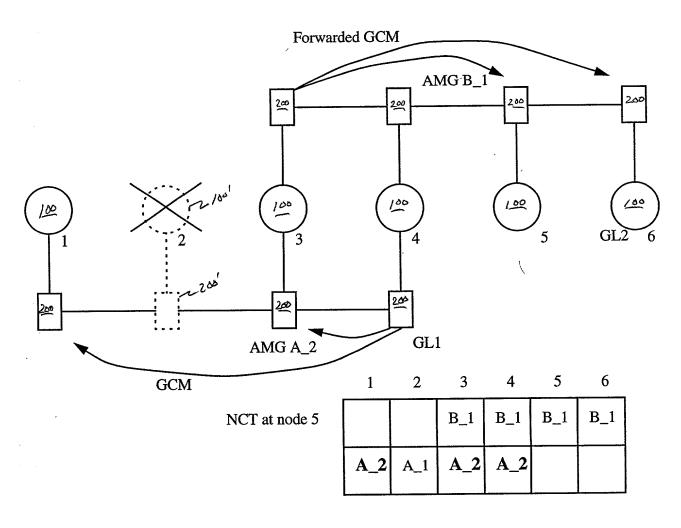
Figure 5: Topology Propagation Scenario: node death

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5b) Node 2 dies: Nodes 1, 3, and 4 form AMG A\_2

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5c) GCM for AMG A\_2 is propagated to all nodes

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Network A: 10 seconds detection time Network B: 40 seconds detection time

Nodes 1 and 2 are forming AMGs on networks A and B

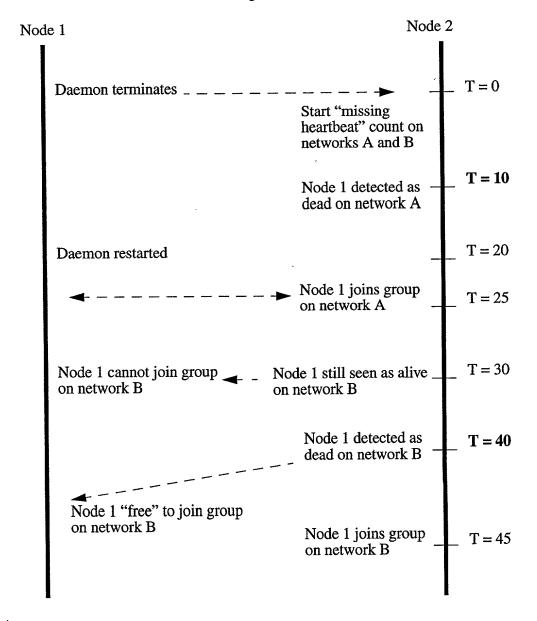


Figure 7) Inconsistency caused by quick daemon restart in the presence of different detection times for each network: the daemon on node 1 goes down and is restarted, but this is never detected by node 2.

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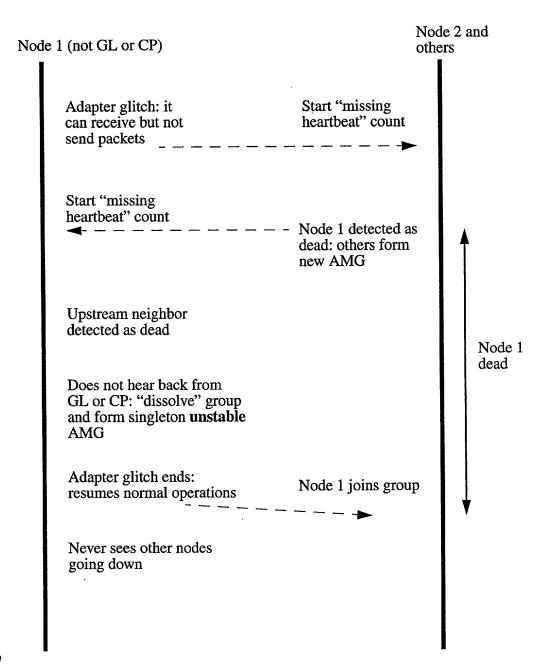


Figure (\*) Inconsistency caused by temporary communication problem in an adapter: node 1 is not the GL or CP in its group. Node 1 never notices other nodes as down, though the others do see node 1 being unreachable.

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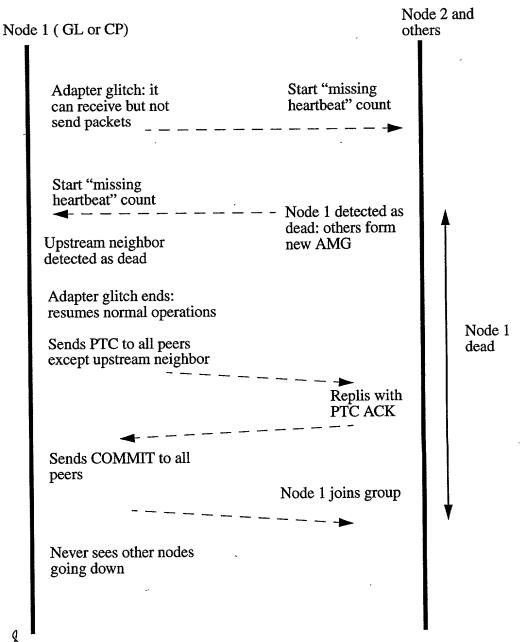
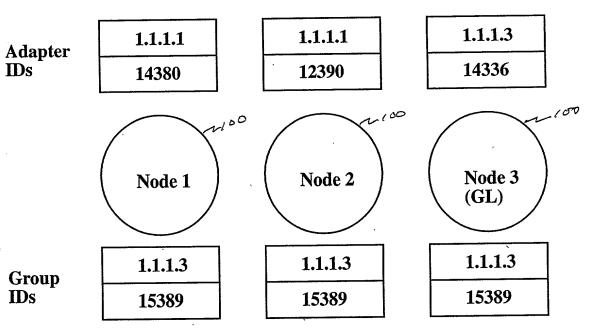


Figure (\*) Inconsistency caused by temporary communication problem in an adapter: node 1 is the GL or CP in its group. Node 1 never sees the other nodes as unreachable, while the others do see node 1 as unreachable for a period.

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Figure (3) Adapter IDs and Group IDs. An adapter ID has the IP address of the adapter and and instance number. The Group ID has the IP address of the Group Leader and an instance number that changes each time the group changes.

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| Message Type           |
|------------------------|
| Source Adapter ID      |
| Source Group ID        |
| Destination Adapter ID |

Destination Group ID

Payload

Figure (\*) Format of the protocol packets that are sent over the network

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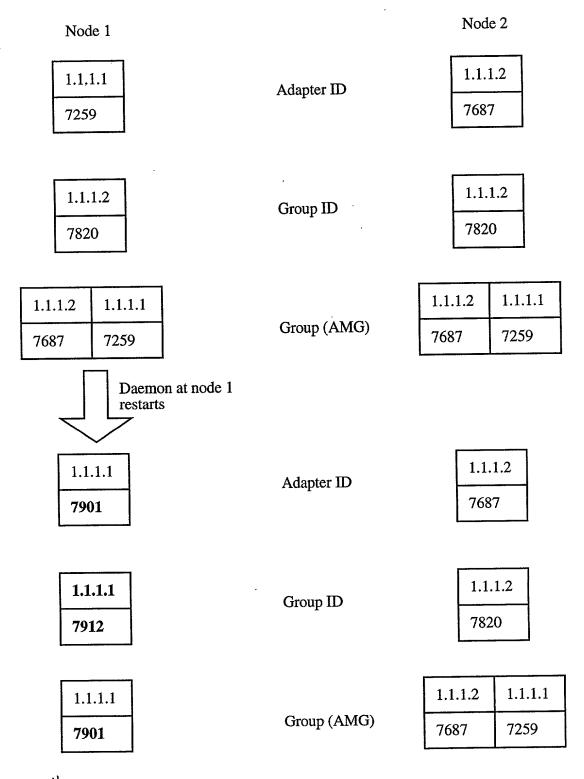


Figure (3) Adapter and Group IDs when the daemon at node 1 terminates and is restarted.

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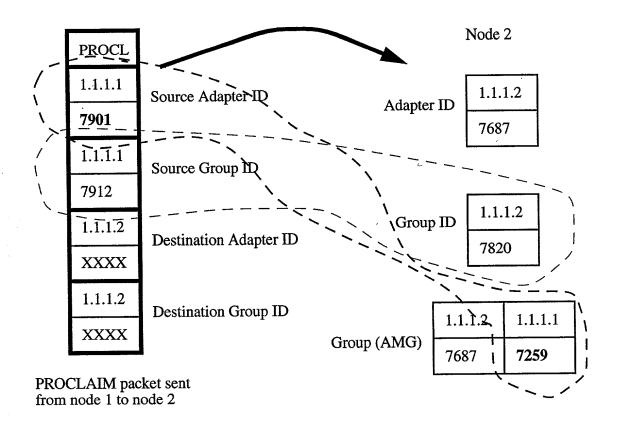


Figure (a) A "live" node detects that a remote daemon restarted. The Group ID of the message is different from node 2's, while the address of the sender is listed on node 2's group membership.

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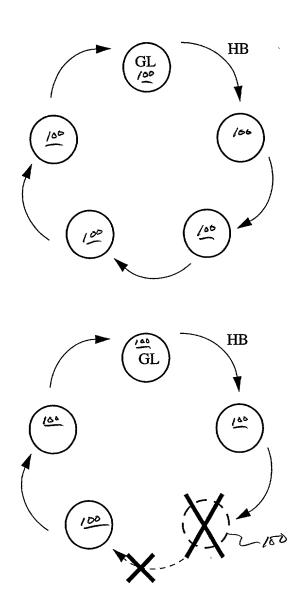
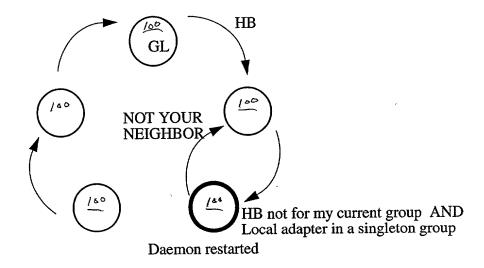


Figure **3**Figure **3**A daemon that is restarted detects that a previous instance used to belong to an AMG because of heartbeat messages that it receives while in a singleton group.

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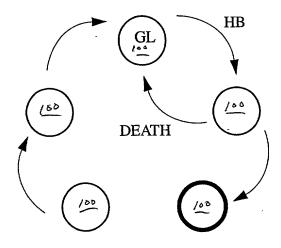


Figure **3** Continuation

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| Node 3 (GL) |         |                             |                   |         | Node    | 2       |  |
|-------------|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| 1.1.1.3     |         |                             | Adapter ID        |         | 1.1.1.2 |         |  |
| 7687        |         |                             |                   |         | 7687    |         |  |
| 1.1.1.3     |         |                             | Group ID          |         | 1.1.1.3 |         |  |
| 7820        |         |                             |                   |         | 7820    |         |  |
| 1.1.1.3     | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.2 1.1.1.1 Group (AMG) |                   | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 |  |
| 7687        | 7259    | 7228                        | - '               | 7687    | 7259    | 7228    |  |
|             |         |                             |                   |         |         |         |  |
| 1.1.1.3     | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1                     | last_stable_group | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 |  |
| 7687        | 7259    | 7228                        |                   | 7687    | 7259    | 7228    |  |

Communication glitch in node 3's adapter.

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Figure (a) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. initial state: nodes 1,2, and3 are part of the same AMG,. Node 3's adapter suffers a temporary failure.

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| No      | ode 3                   |                       |                   | Node            | 2              |
|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| -       | 1.1.1.3 Adapter ID 7687 |                       |                   | 1.1.1.2<br>7687 | 2              |
|         | 1.1.3                   |                       | Group ID          | 1.1.1.1.7897    | 2              |
| 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2                 | 1.1.1.1               |                   | 1.1.1.2         | 1.1.1.1        |
| 7687    | 7259                    | 7259 7228 Group (AMG) |                   | 7259            | 7228           |
|         |                         |                       | ,                 |                 | <del> </del> 1 |
| 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2                 | 1.1.1.1               |                   | 1.1.1.2         | 1.1.1.1        |
| 7687    | 7259                    | 7228                  | last_stable_group | 7259            | 7228           |

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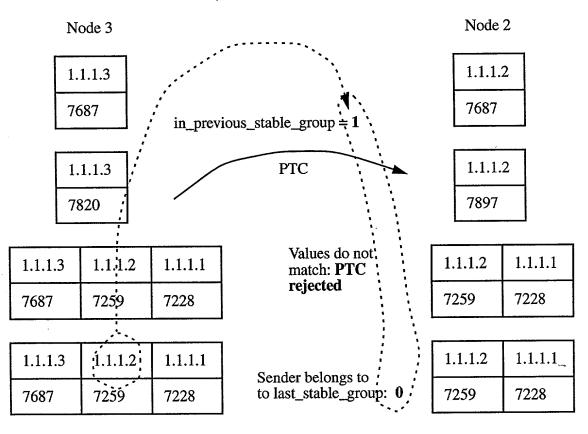


Figure (Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Node 3 sends a PTC when it stops receiving HBs from its upstream neighbor. The PTCs are rejected because of the discrepancy in the last\_stable\_group results.

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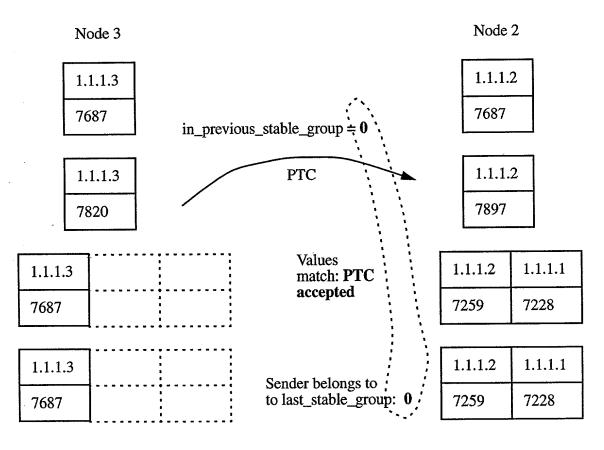


Figure (3) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Since node 3 does not get replies to its PTC messages, it is forced to form a singleton group. At this point, it updates last\_stable\_group. From then on node 3's PTC are accepted again.

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| No      | ode 1                   |         |                   |         | Node    | 3 (GL)  |
|---------|-------------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1.      | 1.1.1.1 Adapter ID 7228 |         | 1.1.1.            | 3       |         |         |
| 72      |                         |         |                   |         |         | 7687    |
| 1.1.1.3 |                         |         | Group ID          |         | 1.1.1.3 |         |
| 7820    |                         |         |                   |         | 7820    |         |
| 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2                 | 1.1.1.1 | Group (AMG)       | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 |
| 7687    | 7259                    | 7228    | •                 | 7687    | 7259    | 7228    |
|         |                         |         | •                 |         |         |         |
| 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2                 | 1.1.1.1 | last_stable_group | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 |
| 7687    | 7259                    | 7228    | 1                 | 7687    | 7259    | 7228    |

Communication glitch in node 1's adapter.

Figure (a) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. initial state: nodes 1,2, and3 are part of the same AMG,. Node 1's adapter suffers a temporary failure.

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|       | N   | ode 1   |         |                   |         | Node 3          |  |
|-------|-----|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|-----------------|--|
|       | 1.  | 1.1.1   |         | Adapter ID        |         | 1.1.1.3         |  |
|       | 72  | 228     |         |                   |         | 7687            |  |
|       |     | 1.1.3   |         | Group ID          | ,       | 1.1.1.3<br>7884 |  |
| 1.1.1 | 1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 | Group (AMG)       | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2         |  |
| 7687  | 7   | 7259    | 7228    | ,                 | 7687    | 7259            |  |
|       |     |         |         |                   |         |                 |  |
| 1.1.1 | 1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 | last_stable_group | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2         |  |
| 7687  | 7   | 7259    | 7228    |                   | 7687    | 7259            |  |
|       |     |         |         |                   |         |                 |  |

Figure (5) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Node 1's adapter suffers a temporary failure. Node 3 commits a new AMG, while node 1 is still in the process of missing HBs from its neighbor

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| Node 1          |       |         |         |                   |         | Node 3          |
|-----------------|-------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|-----------------|
| 1.1.1.1         |       |         |         | Adapter ID        |         | 1.1.1.3         |
|                 | 7910  |         |         |                   |         | 7687            |
| 1.1.1.1<br>7913 |       |         |         | Group ID          |         | 1.1.1.3<br>7884 |
| :               |       |         | 1.1.1.1 | Group (AMG)       | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2         |
|                 |       |         | 7910    | • •               | 7687    | 7259            |
|                 |       |         |         | Unstable          |         |                 |
| 1.              | 1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2 | 1.1.1.1 | last_stable_group | 1.1.1.3 | 1.1.1.2         |
| 76              | 587   | 7259    | 7228    |                   | 7687    | 7259            |

Figure (S) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Node 1 dissolves its group and forms a singleton unstable group. Note that because the group is unstable, there is no change in last\_stable\_group.

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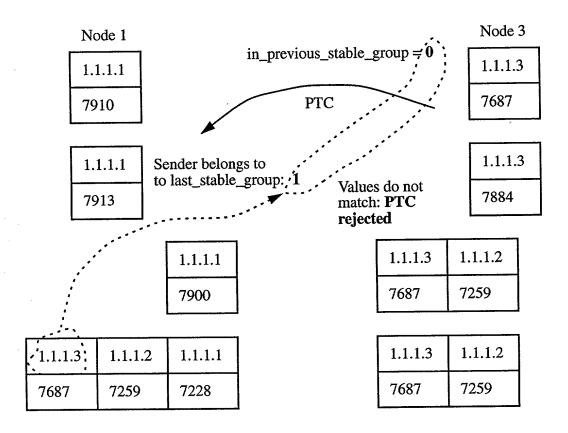


Figure (3d) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Node 3 sends a PTC when node 1 responds the PROCLAIM message with a JOIN. The PTCs are rejected because of the discrepancy in the last\_stable\_group results.

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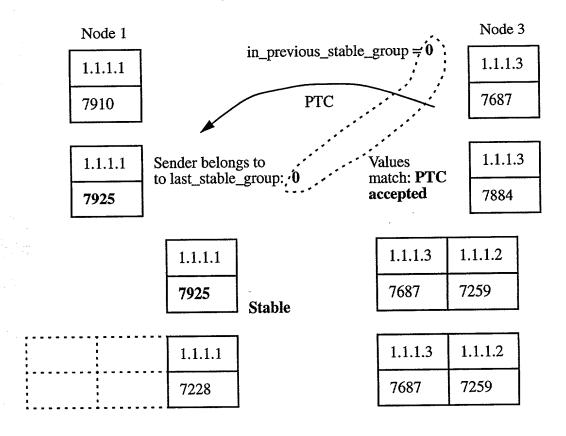


Figure (S) Solution to the Quick Communication Interruption Problem. Since node 3 does not get replies to its PTC messages, it is eventually forced to form a singleton group. At this point, it updates last\_stable\_group. From then on node 3's PTC are accepted again.